### THINKS ROBBERY CAUSE OF ATTACK

Aged Landlady Says She Knows of No Other Reason for Brutal Assault Upon Her.

YOUNG SPANIARD ACCUSED VETERANS

Joseph Garcia, Who Claims to Be Son of Famous General, Says He Is Innocent.

"The only motive I can advance for his attack upon me was robbery," said artillerymen marched to the armory. There they were dismissed, and after loading done to loe," she told a reporter for Thes. Dispatch last night, "He has lived with me on and off or twe years. When he was out of work I ideand him money to buy food until he could find employment. I believe there was some one with him, and a cobbery was planned."

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tieps. I never touched the old lady."

The prisoner said he went home yesterday morning at 1:45 o'clock, and Mrs. Webster, who admitted him, told him the thought a drunken man was on the back porch. He said he looked for the man, but when he could not be found, went to bed. When policemen rushed into his room a few minutes after the alarm had been given that Mrs. Webster had been murderously attacked, he was found undressed and in bed.

"Joe came in about a quarter past 12." said Mrs. Webster. "I opened the door for him and asked him how had neglected his candidacy for the Legislature to accompany them. The Richmonders left home last Sunday at 7 o'clock. The first stop was made at Burkeville, where supper was had. Early the following morning breakfast was served at Asheville, N. C. That afternoon, as guests of the Board of Commerce, the party laid over at Knoxville for three hours. An informal reception was followed by a trip in special cars to the site of the National Conservation Exposition, which opens in September.

Made Hit in Parade.

Chattanooga was reached Menday

12," said Mrs. Webster. "I opened the door for him and asked him how during the week, cause I knew that it was his first shoulders and arm, breaking it. 1 come. managed to scream and then lost con- ner and

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Twelve Buttleships of Atlantic Fleet



### HOWITZERS BACK FROM LONG TRIP

Confederate Reunion in Chattanooga.

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Party Enthusiastic Over Recep- Aged Citizen Has Lived at Memotion Given Them in Carolina and Tennessee Cities.

Tired, but enthusiastic over their trip, the Richmond Howltzers arrived up and about, six patients were yeshome yesterday morning from Chat- terday transferred from the Virginia

Garcia, who is a Spaniard, and claims to be a son of the famous general, between sobs, denied the grave charge against him when interviewed in his cell at the First Police Station. "I was in bed when Mrs. Webster was hurt," he said. "I heard her call out, but thought she was calling her pet dogs. She must have fell down the steps. I never touched the old lady."

The prisoner said he went home yes, the prisoner said he went home yes, the Howitzers marched up Main Street to Fifth, out Fifth to Broad and down Broad to Eighth, thence to the armory. Before dismissing the battery Captain Myers thanked the men for their attendance at the reunion and for the behavior on the trip. Gathering in a ring the boys roundly cheered their leader, who had neglected his candidacy for the

Chattanoga was reached Monday night at 8 o'clock, and the Howitzers took up quarters in the City Hall, having carried their own bedding and as a barber. He said he had equipment with them. The veterans well, and told me he wanted to and women went to the hotels to some money. He went to his which they had been assigned. Four and some time later called me days were spent in Chattanooga. out. There's a drunken man on the back porch,' he told me. I though: he was mistaken and went out there to see. The next thing I knew I was struck a heavy blow on the back of the head and I fell down the steps to the yard. Joe ran down, and with both feet jumped on my face, chest, Joe ran down, and with jumped on my face, chest, and arm, breaking it. I Eleventh United States Cavalry, the artillerymen were given a royal welcome. They were entertained at dinterpretable of the hospital on the savings of his productive years. His business career was forms and mounts and spent four hours the policemen came in with viewing the battlefields of Chickange of the porter, he worked for seven years with-

ship of His Men.

Shedal to The Times-Dispatch | Ships of the Atlantic fleet, comprising the first and second divisions came into Hampton Roads this afternoon, and are anchored off Hotel Chamberlin. The ships are the Wyoming, North Darkota, New Hampshire, Louisima, Florida, Georgia, Delaware, Arkansas, Michigan, South Carolina and Virginia. This afternoon the baself lines of the Louisiana and North Istatota played in first game of the three series for the fleet championship. Louisiana pitcher struck out nineteen men.

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sider that such very bady abooting."

### FORCED TO LEAVE TALK OF CHAPMAN HOSPITAL HOME

Return After Spending Week at Dr. Roger Martin to Quit Vir- Osborn Many Appoint Veteran Mayor Ainslie Tells How New ginia After Being a Patient There for Five Years.

rial for Past Six and a Half Years.

Even before Sunday school folk were tanooga, Tenn., where the battery acted to the Memorial Hospital, the advance as escort to R. E. Lee Camp, United guard of the general exodus which is

of two patients now in the Memorial who have come to look upon that institution as their home. Earnest Gertze, a German citizen, almost ninety years old, has occupied a bed in that hospital for six and one-half years. George McGraw, a young man, has spent three years as a patient in the Memorial under treatment for some foot trouble. Both men pass their time rolling themselves about the corridors. Under a crusty exterior, which the good nurses have come to regard as a bluff, "Papa" Gertze harbors a strong sentiment for the Memorial Hospital.

sentiment for the Memorial Hospital, although he is often fond of raging against the treatment he receives. He came from Germany to this country in 1854, and after roaming around New York several years, settled in Richmond with his brother. They became confectioners and prospered in business. Almost seven years ago, "Papa" Gertze slipped one day in Clay Street while on his way to visit a sick friend. When they picked him up they found him suffering with a broken arm and him suffering with a broken arm and him suffering with a broken arm and

partially paralyzed.

Took Crutches From Him.

Mr. Gertze was moved to the Memorial, and began to improve under treat-ment. On account of his advanced age, however, his recovery was necessarily slow. At last he reached the stage where he could take a pair of crutches and hobble around the halls. One day his crutch slipped on the polished floor, and "Papa" Gertze lay on the floor writhing with pain from a broken arm. After that episode, the hospital authorities did not dare trust the old man with crutches, much to his chagrin. He swears that the nurses have stolen his crutches and his clothes

clousness. I did not know anything less until the policemen came in with lose and asked me to identify him, which I did."

Was Well Recommended.

Mrs. Webster said that Garcia came to Richmond about two years ago from Washington and was well recompliant. The Howitzers were the guests of military organizations in both places, while the veterans and women were entertained by the civic bodies of the cities.

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fice of chief of revenue agents, with

That is the newest bit of gossip that is agitating internat revenue circles, to be made from the old Virginia this and while none of the principals con-week. By Saturday, the last patient corned professes to know anythin cerned professes to know anything about it, it appears to be gossip worth

The office of chief of revenue agents is held at present by G. W. Trowbridge, who was appointed from Illinois by former Commissioner Caples. Mr. Trowbridge is a Republican, and is a brother-in-law of former fenator Scott, of West Virginia. The incumbent has no definite commission, and his tenure of office is limited by the will of the commissioner.

Chapman Logical Choice.

In point of continuous service in the revenue department, Colonel Chapman is the ranking revenue officer in the United States. He was appointed to is the ranking revenue officer in the United States. He was appointed to this branch of government work by Commissioner Green B. Rahm during the administration of President Rutherford B. Hayes, in July, 1878. He has served continuously ever since, undisturbed by party upheavals and administrative changes. Previous to his appointment to the revenue department pointment to the revenue department. Colonel Chapman served five years in the railway mail service. He rounds out this month forty years of continuous service for the government.

Old Friend of Osborn.

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Old Friend of Osbern.

Another factor that will weigh heavily in favor of Colonel Chapman when the question of filling the vacancy arises is the strong friendship between him and Commissioner Osborn. Their acquaintance began many years ago, when Colonel Chapman was stationed in the internal revenue office. in the internal revenue office at Greens-boro, N. C., where the present commis-sioner was engaged in business. In the whole service there is probably no man who has the confidence and friendship of the new commissioner in the same

degree as has Colonel Chapman.

The position of chief of revenue agents is attractive enough to engage the attention of other aspirants, and there will be no scarcity of contestants. the attention of other aspirants, and there will be no scarcity of contestants. Next to the commissioner himself, the chief of revenue agents is the ranking officer in the service, and is in charge of all the agents in the country. The office carries a salary of about \$5,000 a year, with an allowance for travelng expenses.
With Colonel Chapman is named J.

W. Sheffer, of Baltimore, who, it is believed, will be put forward for the position by his friends. Mr. Sheffer was secretary to Collector of Internal Revenue Goldsborough, of Baltimore, now Governor of Maryland, but resigned from that post last October. He is regarded as one of the best-informed revenue men in the United States.

# SEES BIG CHANCE

Steamer Service Will Help Build Up That Port.

RETURN GERTZE RECORD IS LONGER HAS SERVED FORTY YEARS MEANS MUCH FOR RICHMOND

Southern Railway to Operate Fifty-Minute Train and Double Track Its Line.

By the time the two new steamers, "The City of Richmond" and "The City of Annapolis," of the Chesapeake Steamship Company's line, are put into commission between Baltimore and West Point in October, the Southern Railway will have completed the rebuilding of its road from West Point to Richmond, so that a boat train can be operated out of this city on a fiftyabout it, it appears to be gossip worth repeating. Colonel Chapman has nothing to say; Commissioner Osborn has nothing to say; but friends of both men are confident that the prediction is more than an idle rumor.

The office of chief of revenue agents a held at present by G. W. Trow-

Mayor George Ainsile, who returned home yesterday from Baltimore, where he attended the launching of the new steamers at Sparrows Point on Saturday, was enthusiastic over the daily bay service which is to be inaugurated by the Chesapeake company.

Big Thing for Richmond.
"I do not believe that our people fully appreciate what this service will mean will of the commissioner.

Chapman Logical Choice.

The fact that Mr. Trowbridge is of differing political faith, and that he has already served under three commissioners, appears to support the probability of impending change. When the question of a successor comes up the question of a successor comes up the colonel Chapman, it is believed, will accept that our people fully appreciate what this service will mean for West Point and Richmond," said the Mayor. "The mere fact that we are to have a fifty-ininute schedule to weat Point is of considerable importance, and a double track will add just that much more. We have heard a great deal about making West Point Colonel Chapman it is believed, will be the logical choice.

In point of continuous service in the revenue department, Colonel Chapman it is believed, will great deal about making West Point the port of Richmond, so far as Chesapeake Bay is concerned, and with the revenue department, Colonel Chapman closer traffic, together with this fine river port of ours, we ought to be able to reach out, and I am sure we will "When the new boats are put into service next fall there will be a big house-warming at West Point, and you nay count on that hustling town will be heard from It is being heard from now, and it is particularly grati-fying to find that West Point boosters think so highly of Richmond, with none of that hatred and rivalry which is characteristic of the smaller town's attitude toward the bigger ones. Eighty-pound rall is now being laid on the Southern's West Point division, and the new heat train will make the and the new boat-train will make the trip in fifty minutes. This means, too, that the regular service will be improved, and it is a matter of some imortance to all the towns along that division.

Many at the Launching. City Attorney Henry R. Pollard, who was a member of the Richmond party at the launching on Saturday, will return home to-day. Among the others who made the trip were Judge J. R. Wingfield, of the State Corporation Commission, who sees a great future for West Point; James H. Drake, gen-eral freight agent of the Southern Railway: Warren P. Taylor, traffic manager of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and Winsboro Wilson, of the Southern. Mr. Drake, who has looked after the local welfare of the Southern Railway for a good many years, has taken a keen interest in the work of cutting the West Point in the work of cutting the West Point schedule from one hour and a half to fifty minutes, for, as a railroad expert. he sees the advantages for a big

Mayor Ainslie escaped the ordeal of

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### TEDDY'S BIG LIBEL SUIT NOT IN IT WITH THAT OF JOE DOPE

Henrico Philosopher Once Sued Editor Skillit, of Tombstone Epitaph, for Being Called a Soak, and Got \$78 Verdict in Real Money.

The men and events historians write apace, relating a smothered chapter bout become known to their own and of his autobiography with a growing succeeding generations. The men and sense of personal outrage. Stripped of succeeding generations. The men and events newspapers write about become known to their readers for a fleeting fraction of a generation and thereafter repose undisturbed in dusty files until galvanized again into life by the June collegian seeking original material for his essay.

sense of personal outrage. Stripped of interesting digressions, the case may be stated thus:

In 1887 Bill Skillit—for many years now a resident of Henrico County—was editor of a paper in Tombstone, Ariz., called the Epitaph. Joe Dope ran the biggest livery stable in teresting digressions, the case may be stated thus: inal material for his essay.

Had there not been a Homer, few to-day could tell who dragged whom how many times around what. Forty-seven Roman gentlemen-more or less men of arms and high estate, would e known to-day only by their names, had there been no Plutarch. Johnson had his Boswell, Joan of Arc had a whole school of French poets, and pires.'
Mary Baker Eddy had the magazines. The Theodore Roosevelt had the press and

The budding philosophy encased in the foregoing bit of cant was the cen-tral grudge yesterday of Joseph Dope The Skillit witnesses testified to hav-ing seen Mr. Dope, on various occa-sions, half-charged, pretty well pickled -now Joseph Armageddon Dope-the whose expressions on timely subjects of The Times-Dispatch. He expressed

of North America is a jay pack. It'll spend real money and valuable daytime reading about a suit to recover a dinky \$10,000 for a frazzled water wagon ticket just because the papers S'posen Roosevelt did take a gin rickey when he felt dry, and got the sure enough world-wide feeling too-supposen all this and supposen he didn't, what's that got to do with it? He only asked for \$10,005. and only got 6 cents. I say any man that values his sobriety at only 60) oughtn't to get more'n 6 cents, because he's a piker."

The budding philosophy hereinbe-fore alluded to, viewed through Mr. God bless the Commonwealth. It be light of what follows-the same being of Joseph Armageddon Dope, and belonging syntactically

con boobs, not counting the increase day seven columns of this Marquette Roosevelt, and because the reporters making a speech at the launching. 13,000 weary hones. When I such Bill There was no speechmaking of any Skillit for \$60,000 they never noticed kind, although the visitors were so it with a single line—that's what they

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ran the biggest livery stable in town. In September of that year, Mr. Dope, for whom Editor Skillit had little per-

sonal affection, announced his candidacy for the sheriff's office. On October 10 an editorial in the Epitaph,

among other things, charged Mr. Dope

with being "a soak, and, therefore, unfit for the high office to which he as-pires." Mr Dope sued for \$60,000. The trial began on November 3, and

lasted eleven days. The preponder-ance of evidence, according to Mr

and even lit-up, but Mr. Dope's law

yers insisted that unless the defense

proved that their client habitually and

charged, pickled or lit-up, such charg ing, pickling and illumination could not be called "soaking" within the meaning of the Arizona Constitution.

Dope lawyers, the learned judge in-

tiff, and Mr. Dope was awarded damages in the sum of \$41,500.60 and costs,

Skillit to pay the fine as well as all

the Epitaph spilled over on that trial," said Mr. Dope last night. "It was something worth talking about. It

something worth talking about. It wasn't any dinky suit for 10,300 bones

"What did you do with all

"Well, you see, I never got all of it," replied Mr. Dope cheerfully. "Bill Skillit skipped town the night of the verdict, and the sheriff sold his news-

-why, the jury gave me over \$40,

malice

was in favor of the plaintiff.

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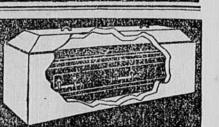
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### SUDDENLY STRICKEN Richmond Corrugated Has Acute Attack of Appendi-

Finals of the Woman's College will be held at the Academy of Music tonight, when forty-five graduates will receive their degrees. The principal address will be made by the Rey. H. Western morning. Several fellow physician he was abroad, Dr. Carring ton suffered a great deal, and when he consulted a physician he was told to go ahead and enjoy himself, as there did not appear to be any unfavorable symptoms. He became suddenly ill

C.; Helen M. Hepburn, Chester, Va.; Margaret James, Richmond; Jessie N. Jarnis, Machipongo, Va.; Mae E. Johnson, Boston, Mass.; Annie M. Jones, Cheriton, Va.; Mary Jones, Barton Heights; Jeanette Jones, Richmond; Evelyn Justis, Justisville, Va.; Mabel Leidy, Richmond; Sallie F. Adams, Danripple, Va.; Mamie Addison, Ninetysix, S. C.; Robertine Blanton, Blanton, Va.; Rose K. Bloxom, Bloxom, Va.; Berrie Bernice, Chester, Va.; Hazel Cole, Richmond; Fannie H. Cook, Cheriton, Va.; Mary Currin, Florence, S. C.; Hazel Gibby, Lawrenceville, Va.; Margaret Hathaway, White Stone, Va.; Alice Hatcher, Brim, N. C.; Nellie K. Lindsay, Waynesboro, Va.; Margaret P. Massey, Stuart, Va.; Margaret S. Mathews, Richmond; Ivey Osborn, Round Hill, Va.; Kathleen Parrish, Richmond; Nora Parsons, Townsend, Va.; Mary Reams, Ivor, Va.; Josephine S. Rose, Jellico, Tenn.; Virginia Scay, Shores, Va.; Helen Starke, Richmond; Susie Starke, Richmond; Elizabeth A. Staplekamp, Clayville, Va.; Bessie Straus, Richmond; Ethel L. Stevenson, Chesapeake, Va.; Louise R. Tillman, Boscobel, Va.; Vira Warren, Conetoe. Straus, Richmond; Ethel L. Stevenson. Chesapeake, Va.; Louise R. Tillman, Boscobel, Va.; Vira Warren, Conetoe, N. C.; Merle Westerman, Lena M. Winn, Mathews, Va.; Mabel C. Winn, Mathews, Va.; Louise Whitlock, Richmond; Lantinie Williams, Kittrell, N. C.; Elizabeth Wicker, Richmond; Lilly B. Quarles, Elierson, Va.

Owing to the exercises at the Academy, which were booked some time

emy, which were booked some time before, the Lucille La Verne Company will transfer its engagement to the Bijou to-night.

Mr. Hawes Improving.

S. H. Hawes, who was stricken with paralysis on Friday night while asleep, appeared to be making considerable headway yesterday, and his physicians were confident of his ultimate recovery. The seizure so far has affected only the right side of his body. Mr. Hawes is a man of unsual strength and vigor, and on that account is able to withstand the attack. He seemed in full possession of his faculties yesterday,

citis, and Is Operated On at St. Luke's Hospital.

Dr. Charles V. Carrington, who returned to the city a few days ago from operated on for acute appendicitis at St. Luke's Hospital yesterday. It was said last night that his condition was favorable, and it is believed that he will be in good shape in a very short

yesteray morning. Several fellow physicians were called in, and it was cided to operate at once. He was hurcided to operate at once. He was hurried to St. Luke's where the operation was performed by Dr. Stuart McGuire. Dr. Carrington attended a meeting of the City Democratic Committee on Thursday night, at which the question of submitting the annexation question to the people in the June primary was discussed at great length. He took an discussed at great length. He took an active part in the fight, and seemed to be in normal health. He was up and about on Saturday, but yesterday he was suddenly stricken, and it was

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